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ATTORNEY GENERAL SUTHERS REACTS TO DECISION IN FRACKING CASE

DENVER— The Boulder District Court today ruled that the City of Longmont may not ban hydraulic fracturing and the storage and disposal of hydraulic fracturing waste. In ruling in favor of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, Judge Mallard found that the ban is invalid and stayed her ruling until further order from a higher court.

In reaction to today's ruling, Colorado Attorney General John Suthers issued the following statement:

"The law regarding preemption of local oil and gas regulation by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Act is clear and the court got it right. Under the current law, local governments can't ban fracking."

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